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Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure - Group 1755

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of: )  
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Application No.: 10/629,620 ) Group Art Unit: 1755  
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For: INK, INK-JET RECORDING )  
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INK CARTRIDGE, INK-JET )  
RECORDING APPARATUS, )  
FLUORESCENCE ENHANCING )  
METHOD AND METHOD OF )  
ELONGATING LIFE TIME OF )  
FLUORESCENCE ) October 26, 2006

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
AND  
SUBMISSION OF TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

Sir:

This is in further response to the final Office Action dated May 26, 2006,  
the period for response to which having been extended to October 26, 2006 by the  
accompanying Petition for Extension of Time.

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In the Office Action, Claims 1, 2, 4 to 45, 47, 48, and 85 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 6,793,723 (Auslander). The Advisory Action dated October 3, 2006 acknowledges that Auslander is not available as prior art.

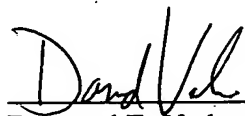
Claims 1, 2, 4 to 36, and 85 stand rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over Claims 1 to 3, 6, and 10 to 36 of U.S. Patent No. 6,835,239 (Hakamada).

Submitted herewith is a duly executed Terminal Disclaimer over Hakamada, together with the statutory fee of \$130.00 required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d). In view of the submission of the Terminal Disclaimer, the obviousness-type double patenting rejection is believed to be obviated.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited.

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